

TYNEMOUTH PRIORY PARTNERSHIP

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Sun	8 th	2 nd Sunday of Lent	St O	9.30am	Mary & Frank Wrightson (SB)	Gen 12: 1-4, 2 Tim 1: 8-10
			St M	11.00am	People of the Parish	Matt 17: 1-9
Mon	9 th	Weekday of Lent	St M	9.30am	Cecilia & Rita Di Mascio	Dan 4-10, Luke 6: 36-38
Tue	10 th	Weekday of Lent	St O	11.30am	Requiem Mass: Peter Flannery	
Wed	11 th	Weekday of Lent	St O	9.30am	John Crossland (MHogg)	Jer 18: 18-20, Matt 20: 17-28
			St M	12.30pm	Funeral Service: Joyce Henderson	
Thu	12 th	Weekday of Lent	St M	9.30am	Class Mass: Year 6	
Fri	13 th	Weekday of Lent	St O	9.30am	Dec'd Laybourne & Murray Fams	Gen 37: 3-28, Matt 21: 33-46
Sat	14 th	Weekday of Lent	St O	9.30am	Tom & Vera McLaughlin (MHogg)	Micah 7: 14-20, Luke 15: 1-32
Sun	15 th	3 rd Sunday of Lent	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	Ex 17: 3-7, Roms 5: 1-8
			St M	11.00am	Anne Headley (CTait)	John 4: 5-42

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturdays 10.00-10.15am at St Oswin's and *available on request*
(Rosary at St Oswin (St O) – Fri after Mass: St Mary's (St M) Exposition Chapel Open Daily 7.30am-7.30pm)

We remember those who have asked for our prayers in March: New list available. Betty Briggs, Joe O'Kane, Lyn Johnson, Fred Stimpson, Tim Madden, Sandy Madden, Gordon Dixon, June Barnsley, Kathleen Dunston, Mary Heslop, Graeme Ward.

Anniversaries: David Houston, Ronald Crozier, Kathleen Straughan, John Hutchinson, Kathleen Duggan, John O'Kane, Joan Atkinson, Martin Kenny, Anne Headley.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Joyce Henderson** and **Peter Flannery**, who died recently. May they rest in peace. Funeral details shown above.

The Next Parish Open Meeting will take place on **Wed 18 March at 7.00pm** in the church hall. *All welcome.*

Gift Aid/Planned Giving envelopes are available **TODAY**. Please collect your box as you leave church. If you no longer have a tax liability, please advise Allan Muir (253 2252) so a false claim isn't made.

Bulb Sale at St Mary's TODAY in the church hall after 11am mass.

Stations of the Cross will be celebrated on **Friday evenings during Lent at 6.30pm** at St Mary's. Please sign up on the list at the back of church if you would like to help with these. *Resources will be available in the sacristy.*

CAFOD Fast Day. Prayer Cards and envelopes are available from the back of Church. Please take an envelope and return it by 15th March. Also **CAFOD Soup Lunch** will be held the following Friday (13th Mar) in St Mary's Hall, 12 noon. No charge but donations for CAFOD welcome.

The Recent Mission Appeal for the **Columban Father's** raised **£840.46**. Thank you for your generosity.

APF Mission Boxes: collections for the March quarter will be collected over the next few weeks.

Corona Virus: Guidance for the Church specifically for Parish Worship. Current status: (very few cases in UK, no cases in local parishes). The best way of protecting us from spread is for everyone to use universal good hygiene, wash your hands with soap and water or alcohol hand gel especially at Mass and parish gatherings which will effectively disrupt spread of the virus. Anyone with cold or flu symptoms to refrain from the physical sign of peace, taking communion from the Chalice and they should receive the host on the hand only.

Sacrament of Confirmation 2020: Young people in school **Year 9** are invited to collect an application form to enroll for this year's preparation programme. The course begins on Thurs 12 March, meeting at St Cuthbert's church North Shields, 6.30-8.00pm.

Lenten Cross at St Mary's - in our parish community there are hurts and crosses carried by many, often times secretly. Jesus has told us to come to him with our crosses "*Come to me you who labour and overburdened and I will give you rest*". Those who may be struggling might like to put one of the tacks into the Cross and in this way join their cross to Christ's Cross and allow him to share the load.

Lenten Alms Appeal 2020 – St Cuthbert's Care have asked for your support towards their Hardship Fund to allow them to offer financial support to older Catholic people wishing to live in one of their nursing homes

Prayer for the 'God who Speaks' Year of the Word:
Living God, you walk alongside us and speak to us throughout the Scriptures.

Your Son, Jesus Christ, listens to our hopes and fears and shows us how to live for one another.

Send us the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds so that we may be your witnesses throughout the world. Amen

First Reading

Genesis 12:1-4

This tells of the call of Abraham. Thanks to his faith in God the whole human race has been blessed.

The Lord said to Abram, 'Leave your country, your family and your father's house, for the land I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name so famous that it will be used as a blessing. I will bless those who bless you: I will curse those who slight you. All the tribes of the earth shall bless themselves by you.' So Abram went as the Lord told him.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 32

Response: **May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.**

1. The word of the Lord is faithful
and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right
and fills the earth with his love
2. The Lord looks on those who revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine.
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you.

Second Reading

2 Timothy 1:8-10

The Power of God and the vision of immortality enable the Christian to face the sufferings which faithfulness to the Gospel inevitably brings.

With me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God who has saved us and called us to be holy - not because of anything we ourselves have done but for his own purpose and by his own grace. This grace had already been granted to us, in Christ Jesus, before the beginning of time, but it has only been revealed by the Appearing of our saviour Christ Jesus. He abolished death, and he has proclaimed life and immortality through the Good News.

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard: 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.'

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Gospel Reading

Matthew 17:1-9

On Mount Tabor the three disciples get a glimpse of the glory of Jesus.

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured: his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this, the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus. As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order, 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.'

Question of the week

(for Further Personal Reflection on these Readings)

What difference does your faith in Jesus Christ make in your life?